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## CLAIMS

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What is claimed is:

1           1.       A method of dynamic network delivery selection, comprising:  
2           obtaining an objective with requirements of delivery of datacasts over hybrid bearers  
3 of network communications for users within an area supported by the bearers;  
4           obtaining restrictions for the objective, wherein the restrictions further establish  
5 requirements for the objective, wherein the restrictions establish capacity limits;  
6           determining a state of the hybrid bearers of network communications,  
7                 wherein each type of bearer has a limited service capacity for an area,  
8                 wherein the determination of state establishes a required capacity for  
9 datacasts,  
10                wherein the datacasts are requested by users within an area supported by the  
11 bearers,  
12                wherein the bearers support one or more of the following: broadcast,  
13 multicast, and unicast communications,  
14                wherein a datacast requires capacity,  
15                wherein a location of a datacast reception may move between the area  
16 supported by the bearers to another area as the datacast requesting user moves,  
17                wherein a location of a datacast receipt may move with the area supported by  
18 the bearers from on type of bearer to another as the datacast requesting user moves;  
19           obtaining inputs for the objective and restrictions,  
20                wherein the inputs are obtained from the determined state;  
21           generating a simulated population of bearers configurations based on the objective,  
22 restrictions, state, and inputs,

23                    wherein the simulated configuration that best fulfills the objective is used to  
24 fulfill the objective;  
25                    instructing the bearers of network communications to deliver datacasts employing the  
26 best generated simulated configuration;  
27                    transferring a user receiving a datacast from one type of bearer to another type of  
28 bearer to satisfy the objective and restrictions,  
29                    wherein the transfer results from the instructions that are based on the best  
30 generated simulated configuration as dynamically determined,  
31                    wherein the one type of bearer may be non-existent,  
32                    wherein the another type of bearer may be non-existent,  
33                    wherein the transfer encourages optimally satisfying the objective};  
34                    increasing capacity for a type of bearer in the supported area, if required to satisfy  
35 requirements of the objective,  
36                    wherein more capacity may be added as constrained by the restrictions of the  
37 objective,  
38                    wherein the determined state indicates that more capacity is needed;  
39                    decreasing capacity for a type of bearer in the supported area, if required to satisfy  
40 requirements of the objective,  
41                    wherein more capacity may be removed as constrained by the restrictions of  
42 the objective,  
43                    wherein the determined state indicates that less capacity is needed.

1           2.       A method of dynamic network delivery selection, comprising:  
2           obtaining an objective with requirements of delivery of requested datacasts over  
3       bearers of network communications for users within an area supported by the bearers;  
4           obtaining restrictions for the objective, wherein the restrictions further establish  
5       requirements for the objective;  
6           determining a state of the bearers of network communications;  
7           obtaining inputs for the objective and restrictions;  
8           generating a simulated population of bearers configurations based on the objective,  
9       restrictions, state, and inputs, wherein the simulated configuration that best fulfills the  
10      objective is used to fulfill the objective;  
11          instructing the bearers of network communications to deliver datacasts employing the  
12      best generated simulated configuration.

1           3.       The method of claim 2, wherein hybrid bearers comprise the bearers of  
2       network communications.

1           4.       The method of claim 2, wherein the bearers may support one or more of the  
2       following: broadcast, multicast, and unicast communications.

1           5.       The method of claim 2, wherein the objective is to maximize spectrum  
2       efficiency.

1           6.       The method of claim 2, wherein the objective is to minimize costs.

1           7.       The method of claim 2, wherein the objective is to minimize terminal power  
2       consumption.

1           8.       The method of claim 7, wherein the power consumption minimization is for  
2 reception of data.

1           9.       The method of claim 7, wherein the power consumption minimization is for  
2 transmission of data.

1           10.      The method of claim 2, wherein the obtained restrictions establish capacity  
2 limits.

1           11.      The method of claim 2, wherein the obtained restrictions establish Quality of  
2 Service requirements.

1           12.      The method of claim 2, wherein a restriction limits terminal power  
2 consumption.

1           13.      The method of claim 12, wherein the restriction is for reception of data.

1           14.      The method of claim 7, wherein the restriction is for transmission of data.

1           15.      The method of claim 2, wherein each type of bearer has a limited datacast  
2 service capacity for an area.

1           16.      The method of claim 2, wherein a datacast requires capacity.

1           17.      The method of claim 2, wherein a location of a datacast reception may move  
2 between the area supported by the bearers to another area as the datacast requesting user  
3 moves.

1           18.      The method of claim 2, wherein a location of a datacast reception may move  
2 within the area supported by the bearers from one type of bearer to another as the datacast  
3 requesting user moves.

1           19.     The method of claim 2, wherein the inputs are obtained from the determined  
2 state.

1           20.     The method of claim 2, wherein the inputs are provided as a set of initial  
2 conditions.

1           21.     The method of claim 2, wherein the generation of a simulated population is  
2 achieved through annealing.

1           22.     The method of claim 2, wherein the generation of a simulated population is  
2 achieved with a Metropolis network selection.

1           23.     The method of claim 2, wherein the generation of a simulated population is  
2 achieved with genetic network selection.

1           24.     The method of claim 2, further, comprising:  
2           transferring a user receiving a datacast from one type of bearer to another type of  
3 bearer to satisfy the objective and restrictions, wherein the transfer results from the  
4 instructions that are based on the best generated simulated configuration as dynamically  
5 determined.

1           25.     The method of claim 24, wherein the one type of bearer may be non-existent.

1           26.     The method of claim 24, wherein the another type of bearer may be non-  
2 existent.

1           27.     The method of claim 24, wherein the transfer encourages optimally satisfying  
2 the objective.

1           28.    The method of claim 2, further, comprising:  
2           increasing capacity for a type of bearer in the supported area, if required to satisfy  
3 requirements of the objective, wherein more capacity may be added as constrained by the  
4 restrictions of the objective.

1           29.    The method of claim 28, wherein the determined state indicates that more  
2 capacity is needed.

1           30.    The method of claim 2, further, comprising:  
2           decreasing capacity for a type of bearer in the supported area, if required to satisfy  
3 requirements of the objective, wherein more capacity may be removed as constrained by the  
4 restrictions of the objective.

1           31.    The method of claim 30, wherein the determined state indicates that less  
2 capacity is needed.

1           32.    An dynamic network selector apparatus, comprising:  
2           a memory;  
3           a processor disposed in communication with said memory, and configured to issue a  
4   plurality of processing instructions stored in the memory, wherein the instructions issue  
5   signals to:  
6           obtain an objective with requirements of delivery of datacasts over hybrid  
7   bearers of network communications for users within an area supported by the bearers;  
8           obtain restrictions for the objective, wherein the restrictions further establish  
9   requirements for the objective, wherein the restrictions establish capacity limits;  
10          determine a state of the hybrid bearers of network communications,  
11          wherein each type of bearer has a limited service capacity for an area,  
12          wherein the determination of state establishes a required capacity for  
13   datacasts,  
14          wherein the datacasts are requested by users within an area supported by the  
15   bearers,  
16          wherein the bearers support one or more of the following: broadcast,  
17   multicast, and unicast communications,  
18          wherein a datacast requires capacity,  
19          wherein a location of a datacast reception may move between the area  
20   supported by the bearers to another area as the datacast requesting user moves,  
21          wherein a location of a datacast receipt may move within the area supported  
22   by the bearers from on type of bearer to another as the datacast requesting user moves;



23                   obtain inputs for the objective and restrictions,  
24                   wherein the inputs are obtained from the determined state;  
25                   generate a simulated population of bearers configurations based on the  
26 objective, restrictions, state, and inputs,  
27                   wherein the simulated configuration that best fulfills the objective is used to  
28 fulfill the objective;  
29                   instruct the bearers of network communications to deliver datacasts  
30 employing the best generated simulated configuration;  
31                   transfer a user receiving a datacast from one type of bearer to another type of  
32 bearer to satisfy the objective and restrictions,  
33                   wherein the transfer results from the instructions that are based on the best  
34 generated simulated configuration as dynamically determined,  
35                   wherein the one type of bearer may be non-existent,  
36                   wherein the another type of bearer may be non-existent,  
37                   wherein the transfer encourages optimally satisfying the objective};  
38                   increase capacity for a type of bearer in the supported area, if required to  
39 satisfy requirements of the objective,  
40                   wherein more capacity may be added as constrained by the restrictions of the  
41 objective,  
42                   wherein the determined state indicates that more capacity is needed;  
43                   decrease capacity for a type of bearer in the supported area, if required to  
44 satisfy requirements of the objective,

45                    wherein more capacity may be removed as constrained by the restrictions of  
46 the objective,

47                    wherein the determined state indicates that less capacity is needed.

1            33.    An dynamic network selector apparatus, comprising:

2            a memory;

3            a processor disposed in communication with said memory, and configured to issue a  
4 plurality of processing instructions stored in the memory, wherein the instructions issue  
5 signals to:

6                    obtain an objective with requirements of delivery of requested datacasts over  
7 bearers of network communications for users within an area supported by the bearers;

8                    obtain restrictions for the objective, wherein the restrictions further establish  
9 requirements for the objective;

10                    determine a state of the bearers of network communications;

11                    obtain inputs for the objective and restrictions;

12                    generate a simulated population of bearers configurations based on the  
13 objective, restrictions, state, and inputs, wherein the simulated configuration that best fulfills  
14 the objective is used to fulfill the objective;

15                    instruct the bearers of network communications to deliver datacasts  
16 employing the best generated simulated configuration.

1           34.     A medium readable by a processor to dynamically select a network,  
2     comprising:  
3           instruction signals in the processor readable medium, wherein the instruction signals  
4     are issuable by the processor to:  
5           obtain an objective with requirements of delivery of datacasts over hybrid  
6     bearers of network communications for users within an area supported by the bearers;  
7           obtain restrictions for the objective, wherein the restrictions further establish  
8     requirements for the objective, wherein the restrictions establish capacity limits;  
9           determine a state of the hybrid bearers of network communications,  
10          wherein each type of bearer has a limited service capacity for an area,  
11          wherein the determination of state establishes a required capacity for  
12     datacasts,  
13          wherein the datacasts are requested by users within an area supported by the  
14     bearers,.  
15          wherein the bearers support one or more of the following: broadcast,  
16     multicast, and unicast communications,  
17          wherein a datacast requires capacity,  
18          wherein a location of a datacast reception may move between the area  
19     supported by the bearers to another area as the datacast requesting user moves,  
20          wherein a location of a datacast receipt may move within the area supported  
21     by the bearers from on type of bearer to another as the datacast requesting user moves;  
22          obtain inputs for the objective and restrictions,

23                    wherein the inputs are obtained from the determined state;  
24                    generate a simulated population of bearers configurations based on the  
25 objective, restrictions, state, and inputs,  
26                    wherein the simulated configuration that best fulfills the objective is used to  
27 fulfill the objective;  
28                    instruct the bearers of network communications to deliver datacasts  
29 employing the best generated simulated configuration;  
30                    transfer a user receiving a datacast from one type of bearer to another type of  
31 bearer to satisfy the objective and restrictions,  
32                    wherein the transfer results from the instructions that are based on the best  
33 generated simulated configuration as dynamically determined,  
34                    wherein the one type of bearer may be non-existent,  
35                    wherein the another type of bearer may be non-existent,  
36                    wherein the transfer encourages optimally satisfying the objective};  
37                    increase capacity for a type of bearer in the supported area, if required to  
38 satisfy requirements of the objective,  
39                    wherein more capacity may be added as constrained by the restrictions of the  
40 objective,  
41                    wherein the determined state indicates that more capacity is needed;  
42                    decrease capacity for a type of bearer in the supported area, if required to  
43 satisfy requirements of the objective,  
44                    wherein more capacity may be removed as constrained by the restrictions of

45 the objective,

46 wherein the determined state indicates that less capacity is needed.

1 35. A medium readable by a processor to dynamically select a network,  
2 comprising:

3 instruction signals in the processor readable medium, wherein the instruction signals  
4 are issuable by the processor to:

5 obtain an objective with requirements of delivery of requested datacasts over  
6 bearers of network communications for users within an area supported by the bearers;

7 obtain restrictions for the objective, wherein the restrictions further establish  
8 requirements for the objective;

9 determine a state of the bearers of network communications;

10 obtain inputs for the objective and restrictions;

11 generate a simulated population of bearers configurations based on the  
12 objective, restrictions, state, and inputs, wherein the simulated configuration that best fulfills  
13 the objective is used to fulfill the objective;

14 instruct the bearers of network communications to deliver datacasts  
15 employing the best generated simulated configuration.

1           36.     A system to dynamically select a network, comprising:  
2           means to obtain an objective with requirements of delivery of datacasts over hybrid  
3     bearers of network communications for users within an area supported by the bearers;  
4           means to obtain restrictions for the objective, wherein the restrictions further establish  
5     requirements for the objective, wherein the restrictions establish capacity limits;  
6           means to determine a state of the hybrid bearers of network communications,  
7                 wherein each type of bearer has a limited service capacity for an area,  
8                 wherein the determination of state establishes a required capacity for  
9     datacasts,  
10                wherein the datacasts are requested by users within an area supported by the  
11    bearers,  
12                wherein the bearers support one or more of the following: broadcast,  
13    multicast, and unicast communications,  
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16    supported by the bearers to another area as the datacast requesting user moves,  
17                wherein a location of a datacast receipt may move within the area supported  
18    by the bearers from one type of bearer to another as the datacast requesting user moves;  
19           means to obtain inputs for the objective and restrictions,  
20                wherein the inputs are obtained from the determined state;  
21           means to generate a simulated population of bearers configurations based on the  
22    objective, restrictions, state, and inputs,

23                    wherein the simulated configuration that best fulfills the objective is used to  
24 fulfill the objective;

25                    means to instruct the bearers of network communications to deliver datacasts  
26 employing the best generated simulated configuration;

27                    means to transfer a user receiving a datacast from one type of bearer to another type  
28 of bearer to satisfy the objective and restrictions,

29                    wherein the transfer results from the instructions that are based on the best  
30 generated simulated configuration as dynamically determined,

31                    wherein the one type of bearer may be non-existent,  
32                    wherein the another type of bearer may be non-existent,  
33                    wherein the transfer encourages optimally satisfying the objective};

34                    means to increase capacity for a type of bearer in the supported area, if required to  
35 satisfy requirements of the objective,

36                    wherein more capacity may be added as constrained by the restrictions of the  
37 objective,

38                    wherein the determined state indicates that more capacity is needed;

39                    means to decrease capacity for a type of bearer in the supported area, if required to  
40 satisfy requirements of the objective,

41                    wherein more capacity may be removed as constrained by the restrictions of  
42 the objective,

43                    wherein the determined state indicates that less capacity is needed.

1           37.     A system to dynamically select a network, comprising:  
2           means to obtain an objective with requirements of delivery of requested datacasts  
3 over bearers of network communications for users within an area supported by the bearers;  
4           means to obtain restrictions for the objective, wherein the restrictions further establish  
5 requirements for the objective;  
6           means to determine a state of the bearers of network communications;  
7           means to obtain inputs for the objective and restrictions;  
8           means to generate a simulated population of bearers configurations based on the  
9 objective, restrictions, state, and inputs, wherein the simulated configuration that best fulfills  
10 the objective is used to fulfill the objective;  
11          means to instruct the bearers of network communications to deliver datacasts  
12 employing the best generated simulated configuration.

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